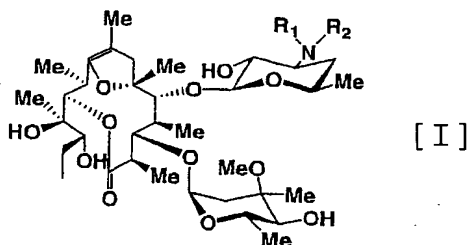


IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2 and 21 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims as follows:

--1. (Amended) A novel pseudoerythromycin derivative represented by the general formula [I],



wherein R₁ and R₂ are same or different and each represents H, alkyl, alkynyl, acyl, or sulfonyl, in which these groups may optionally have substituents, and Me indicates methyl,

wherein R₁ is Me or I-Pr, R₂ is not H.--